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To: NIEHS ICCVAM
Subject: opposed to animal testing

I am writing to let you know I am a concerned citizen, opposed to animal testing. We have other methods that are just as effective. We dont need to torchure animals like this it is rediculous. While most European countries have accepted the results of these alternative tests since the mid 1990s for the purpose of identifying and classifying chemicals that cause severe eye irritation, ICCVAM has taken the incomprehensible position that, regardless of the result of a non-animal test, "confirmatory" testing should be carried out on animals.

We should not be smearing chemicals in animals eyes for any reason. Would you smear this stuff in your eyes? Everyone knows already, without doing this, that it will hurt our eyes. Why would anyone want to do that? This is a totally unnessessary test that doesnt prove a thing.

If we need to use animals to test products we dont need those product. Most U.S. citizens dont know that these kinds of things are going on. I am asking you as a concerned citizen of the U.S. and a consumer, to put an end to animal testing, its barbaric to say the least.

Sincerely,

Sarah Panullo